

## REMARKS

The status of the claims is: Claims 1-48 and 50-95 and pending in the current application. Claims 49 and 96 are cancelled. Claims 6, 8-9, 11, 14, 55, 59-64, 66-67 and 76 are withdrawn with amendments. Claims 45-48 and 94-95 are withdrawn.

Applicant notes that the species election requirement as to claims 6, 8, 9, 11, and 14 has been withdrawn by the Examiner.

Applicant further notes that the Examiner has indicated that claims 4, 12, and 16 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In response claim 1 has been amended to include the recitations of claim 4, which is equivalent to rewriting claim 4 which is dependent from claim 1.

All the remaining claims in this Application (excluding those currently withdrawn) that is claims 2, 3, and 5-44 are directly or indirectly dependent from claim 1 and are therefore allowable as well.

Accordingly it is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance, and such action is hereby requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by phone if there are any

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further issues that require discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

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